

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 12 and 14-20 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Hennells.

Claims 12 and 14-20 have been canceled. Claims 21 and 22 have been added to a method of chemical mechanical polishing. No new matter has been added and the subject matter of the new claims 21 and 22 are fully supported in the disclosure.

In light of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance, and notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

While it is believed that the instant response places the application in condition for allowance, should the Examiner have any further comments or suggestions, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner contact the undersigned in order to expeditiously resolve any outstanding issues.

To the extent necessary, Applicants petition for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any fees in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the deposit account of Texas Instruments Incorporated, Account No. 20-0668.

Respectfully submitted,

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